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WAR AND RUMORS OF WAR.

A Sensational Arrest.--The Man Who Placed the Mine That Shattered the Ill-Fated Maine Said to Have Been Caught.--Denied.

Doings at Madrid and Washington.--Wanamaker's Patriotism.--Bailey.--Reed--The Flying Squadron

Chicago, April 15–The Times-Herald says: Charles A. Crandall, alias Emanuel Escadaro, who, acting under the personal orders of Captain General Weyler, planted the mines and torpedoes in the harbor of Havana, has been run down in Chicago. Last night he was in the custody of three United States secret service agents, who are taking him to Washington, where he is expected to give information to prove beyond any possible doubt that the Maine was blown up by a mine and her 266 officers and crew murdered designedly by agencies known to the Spanish officials. He was run down by a Cuban spy.

Ever since the Maine was blown up Crandall or Escardaro has been dodging about the country. When the United States secret service agent assured him he would be protected he volunteered to accompany them. Crandall's statements are subtantiated by letters in his possession from Weyler himself. His story is as follows:

"My name is Chas. A. Crandall. I am an American by birth and formerly lived in New York city. I served in the United States navy on the cruiser San Francisco, under Capt. Sampson and Admiral Brown. It was while in the United States service that I made a study of mines and torpedoes.

"I left the navy and went to Lima, Peru, where I entered the employ of Graee and company of London in their niter beds. While at Lima I met many Spaniards, one of them Emil L. Catillo an agent of the Spanish government induced me to go to Cuba as an expert on coast defence for Gen. Weyler I was given free transportation to the island and when I arrived there I met Antonio Marco Diaz, who assigned me to harbor work and plotting for torpedoe mine anchorage.

"I began laying the mines and torpedoes in the spring of 1896, and finished about a year later. My work was performed at night. In all 17 mines and ten torpedoes were placed. It was ordered that I should not work on moonlight nights. My completed work was submitted to Gen. Weyler and accepted.

I was then directed to place three mines and seven torpedoes in the harbor of Mantanzas. This was completed early in last July. When I had finished Gen. Weyler ordered me to place an additional mine near buoy No. 4. which made a complete chain of mine's about the harbor from side to side, from the mouth of the harbor to the last anchorage.

I remained in Havana until February 10, when I went to Key West, where I stayed until Mar. 3, on which date I received my last Spanish gold from Havana from a Spanish messenger.

After the Maine was blown up I kept in hiding with a colored family near Fort Taylor or the barracks and as soon as I received word to skip out I left as a stow away on the first steamer for Miami.

From Miami I went to Nashville, where I received the following letter from Havana, dated March 1, 1898:

"Destroy all evidence Go to New York. Ticket for London awaits you there.

(Signed) "DIAZ."

The Maine was anchored at the identical buoy where Gen. Weyler ordered me to place the additional mine, officially known as buoy No. 4.

ARE MASSING THE ARMY FOR IMMEDIATE USES.

Washington, April. 15.—An order was issued late today ordering the entire regular army to assemble on the coast, mostly in Florida.

The order was issued at 4 o'clock this afternoon. It directs the first, second, third, sixth, ninth and tenth cavalry and all light batteries to proceed at once to Chickamauga. The infantry is assigned as follows:

To New Orleans—First, seventh eighth, twelfth, sixteenth, eighteenth, twenty-third and twenty-fourth.

To Mobile — Second, third, tenth, eleventh, nineteents, twentieth and twenty-second.

To Tampa—Fourth, fifth, sixth, ninth, thirteenth, seventeenth and twenty-first.

In the artillery all light batteries and artillery regiments except in the sixth and seventh, which were recently organized under act of congress to go to Chickamauga.

The officers who will command will be: Gen. Shafter at New Orleans, Gen. Coppinger at Mobile, Gen. Wade at Tampa and Gen. Brooke at Chickamauga.

Gen. Miles said that under the present distribution of the army it would hardly be possible to assemble more than 12,000 or 15,000 soldiers in Florida under the orders issued today. The artillery regiments are already distributed along the coast for the operation of the various fortifications and batteries.

The orders issued this afternoon therefore apply to the infantry and cavalry arms of the service. This action is believed to indicate a policy on the part of the administration for large naval and military demonstrations in the vicinity of Cuba, with the view to the immediate enforcement of the action of congress for the termination of the troubles in Cuba.

The senate is expected to vote on the Cuban Independence resolution today.

WANAMAKER PROPOSITION.

Philadelphia, April 15.—Ex-Postmaster General John Wanamaker has sent this telegram to Washington:

"To the Honorable Secretary of War:

"Though opposed to war, unless honorably unavoidable, in the event of its coming, I will, under your instructions, raise a regiment of Pennsylvanians for military duty and go with them for service. John Wanamaker."

After sending his offer to the secretary of war, Mr. Wanamaker posted in his store two notices, one for the manager's office and the other for the time-keepers' desks, as follows:

"In order that our men may have easy minds in considering and arranging their affairs in the event of being called upon for military service, this notice published to say:

"1. That all the positions thus vacated will be opened to return when the military service is over.

2. That all salaries will continue in full in such absence for actual service and be paid to the authorized representative of their respective families.

3. An insurance of $1000 will be paid by the firm in case of each death while any of our people are actually engaged in military service."

Mr. Wanamaker, in a speech last night, said:

"We know not to what we shall awake with the morning light.

"Thick shadows of the impending strife of arms have settled down upon the land now, notwithstanding the hope against hope that the lawful costs of war in blood and treasure might be saved with justice to both countries and with dignity and honor.

"The roll of drums and the signal of the flying squadron is calling us to war. Each of us must consider our relations to the nation and adjust our affairs accordingly."

REED AND BAILEY.

Washington Apr. 15.—There was another lively scene in the house today. Rising to a personal explanation, Mr. Bailey said the speaker was responsible for the late scene in the house. Hot words passed between him and Daizell (Rep.) of Pennsylvania, who alleged, as the papers had stated, that Bailey had lost his head. Bailey responded angrily. He said he would infinitely prefer to lose his head in resenting an insult than his self-respect in submitting to one. The Democrats applauded Bailey's utterances, and the Republicans broke into cheers when the speaker with a voice trembling with suppressed feeling declared that he refused to enter into the discussion of his course with Mr. Bailey. Whatever he had done had been done in the presence of the house and 1000 witnesses. He scored Bailey severely and said he was ready to rest his justification upon the judgment of those who witnessed it. Mr. Bailey attempted to reply, but the regular order was demanded and the routine business was resumed. The house took up the private calender.

QUEEN WILL ABDICATE.

Madrid, April 14.—Weyler arrived today, and was given an ovation, popular feeling centering on him as the man of the hour. The government is doing everything possible to counteract this turn of public opinion. It is believed, however, that he will be sent to Cuba to command again. A strong force of police guarded the route from the railway station to Weyler's residence, and so rigorous were the measures against the demonstration that it failed.

The popular rancor against the government was appeased tonight by widespread and apparently inspired reports that the government had decided upon an immediate declaration of war against the United States. Everything is quiet today, the people, believing in the government's resolve, are waiting for the signal for war.

It is declared that the queen has notified the court and political leaders that it is her intention to abdicate the throne in the event of the ministry taking any steps derogatory to the honor of Spain

The public is extremely restless at the passiveness of the ministry and the universal demand is for war. The cortes will meet April 20, instead of 27, owing to the crisis.

The senate's report on the Maine greatly enraged the populace and the army, and passionate appeals for instant war are heard on every side. The press regards war as inevitable.

The Official Gazette will tomorrow publish a decree calling for the organization of a national subscription to increase the fleet.

The cruisers Maria Teresa and Cristobal Colon arrived at the De Verdes today.

THE PRESIDENT WILL NOT VETO.

Washington, April 15.—The cabinet meeting to day was devoted to the general discussion of the Cuban situation, but without anything of importance resulting therefrom. The president, it can be stated, is not at all likely to veto any resolution that congress may adopt on the Cuban question. The administration does not believe that congress will pass a resolution for the recognition of independence of the insurgents, but if it should a veto is very improbable.

SENATORS SPEAK.

Washington, Apr. 15.—Twenty-three Senators expressed wishes to make war speeches. Senator Cullom of Illinois spoke in favor of war. Senator Berry of Arkansas followed Cullom in favor of war. Senator Daniel said that neither the House or Senate resolutions suited him. He wanted a strong resolution in favor of Cuban independence. Senator Gray wanted a truce between political parties until the crises is passed. Senator Tillman wanted Cuban independence.

MILLIONS FOR DEFENSE.

Washington, Apr. 14.—Dingley is preparing a bill for an immediate popular bond loan issue of $500,000,000 and for an added tax on beer, tea and coffee, and a tax on bond and stock transactions to raise $100,000,000 additional yearly. It will be introduced in a day or two.

SQUADRON'S EVOLITIONS.

Newport News, Apr. 14.—Incoming vessels report having seen the flying squadron some distance off Cape Henry engaged in evolutions. It is reported the fleet will return tomorrow.

ONE MILLION PECETAS.

Madrid, April 15.—Great enthusiasm was aroused here by the fact that the queen regent has headed a national subscription to increase the strength of the Spanish navy by giving 1,000,000 pesetas.

FLYING SQUADRON.

Norfolk, Va., April 15.—The weather bureau reports the flying squadron 10 miles east of the capes and coming in.

CRANDALL'S STORY DENIED.

Washington, April, 15.—Chief Walkie, of the secret service, knows nothing of the reported capture of the alleged layer of the Spanish mines or torpedoes in Cuban waters.

POSSIBLE NIGHT SESSION.

Washington, Apr. 15.—The prospects now are there will be no vote in the senate to-day. There will be a night session, perhaps, although an effort will be made by the conservative senators to secure an adjournment at 6 o'clock. Another attempt will be made to reach on agreement to vote to-morrow, but with the long list of senators yet to speak there is little hope of success.

The government is consulting figures to ascertain number of available men. It is depending on militia. No call for volunteers is out yet but is expected at anytime.

The army, navy and people are lining up for the worst. In New York it is believed Monday will witness the outbreak of hostilities.

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FARMERSVILLE BUDGET.

Found Dead In Bed at Blue Ridge-- Death of Lonnie Sears' Little Son.

April 12, 1898.

Miss Grace Hendrix is visiting in McKinney, this week.

Arch McDonald, Frank Coffey, and Wade Holsonbake attended court at McKinney last Wednesday.

Dr Paul Hamilton is attending the medical association at McKinney this week.

Jay Woodall was visiting relatives and friends at Verona last Sunday.

J. Stinebaugh and daugter of Merit, are visiting the family of A. McDonald this week.

We are glad to hear that W B. Odom is recovering from the wound recently received.

Ed Patterson, Tom Rike, and J. T. Forrester of Merit were in our last Monday.

E. P. King shipped a car load of hogs from this point to Dallas on last Monday.

Miss Rosa Wright returned this week from a visit to Joe Carver of Dallas.

William McMenamy of McKinney was visiting his brother Tom McMenamy of this city this week.

Tom Howard was in the city this week looking after his political interest.

Lee Graham of McKinney was visiting relatives, and friends here a few days last week.

Stonewall King and family left Sunday for Washington territory.

Mrs. J. E. Williams is on the sick list this week.

D. P. Johnson went to Climax last Monday. He is a prominent candidate for county judge.

C. H. Miller and E. A. Hooks went to McKinney Monday evening. We learn they will soon go into business at that place.

H. Crouch of McKinney was in the city a day or two since.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Moor, on the 11th inst., a son.

Dud Rike of McKinney, was in the city Sunday.

Will Scott of Wylie, was visiting in our city Sunday.

Mrs. Dr. King returned from a visit to Nevada Friday.

John McCormick visited relatives and friends near Royse Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Rike of Merit, were in the city this week.

Miss Sallie Robinson has been quite sick for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Humphries of Nevada, were visiting the family of E. R. Maxey last Sunday, returning home on the next day.

Sabine school near Josephine, will have its closing exercises tomorrow. Geo. Hardin will deliver an address to the school.

The children had quite an amusing time at the Methodist church last Saturday evening hunting for Easter eggs in the church yard.

Elisha Reeves Esq. of McKinney, was circulating among his many friends here one day last week.

On Monday at noon the Dick Wynne Club for governor showed 159 signatures and there are many who say, they are for Wynne, whose names do not appear.

Shorty Phillips left last Monday evening for McKinney, where he will be for an indefinite period. He likes our town too well to stay away long.

R. Murchison, our present popular postmaster, seems to be at home in his new quarters. Mr. Murchison performs the arduous duties of this office remarkably well, considering the fact that he has no experience in clerical duties.

Little Roy the 13 month's old, bright little boy of Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Sears died last Sunday evening at 8:30 o'clock. The little fellow had been sick since the preceding Tuesday and was buried on Monday evening at 3 o'clock, at McMinn chapel. The bereaved family have our sympathy.

Mrs. Tom McCarley wife of the brother of Forest McCarley, of this city was found dead in bed one morning last week. We have learned that the sudden death was entirely unexpected as Mrs. McCarley had not complained of any sickness. We sympathize with the bereaved family. Mr. McCarley and wife lived near Blue Ridge.

ORIENT.

Mrs. Barrington, an aged lady, died sudddenly at Rice, Navarro county. No cause known.

The solemn ceremony of the unveiling of the cross took place at the Catholic church at Ennis.

The movement for the organization of a national reserve force has many supporters in Denison.

Candidates for king of the karnival are bobbing up at Waco and a brisk campaign is in progress.

Burglars are working at Ambia, Lamar county.

Leo Reiter, a bartender, was shot and fatally wounded at Gonzales.

Fine deposits of sulphate of magnesia have been found near Sweetwater.

In Memory of Little R. C.

On the first day of April, 1898, in the early dawn of the morning ere the star lit sky had been pierced by the golden rays of the rising sun, the sweet spirit of little Robert King was borne away on snowy wings of the angels, to the beautiful City of God. Yes, borne away to that home of the soul, prepared for all who love the Lord and there, in the arms of the blessed Savionr to await the coming of dear papa, mama, sister and brothers.

Not quite eight years was he spared to make glad the hearts of those who loved him dearly. But God in His never failing wisdom took him to Himself in glory there to be one more sweet tie to becon us on to the celestial city.

No more will the little foot steps be heard in the hallway, or the sweet gentle voice saying: "Good night mama, sweet dreams;" or when upon the bed of affliction: "Fix me mama so I can say my prayer." But oh, how the dear words will ever be cheerished by that loving mother who never wearied of watching by the bedside of her darling boy!

No more will the bright and cherful little face be seen in the Sabbath school, where our hearts were so often made glad by his presence and sweet words.

The little flower has been transplanted into the beautiful garden over yonder; there to bloom more sweetly and to shine as a beacon light to loved ones left behind. Some sweet day by and by there will be a meeting of loved ones to part never more. "Oh, how sweet will that meeting earthly words can ne'er declare; we shall know the bliss of Heaven when we meet our loved ones there," then do not weep for the precious one, whose vacant chair, we know, can never be filled, for nothing can ever again molest your darling boy.

"Not now but in the coming years,
It may be in the better land;
We'll read the meaning of our tears
And there, sometime, we'll understand.

Then trust in God through all the days.
Fear not, for He doth hold thy hand.
Though dark thy way still sing and praise
Sometime, sometime, we'll understand."

V. M. B.

McKinney Apr. 12, '98

NOT ALWAYS UNDERSTOOD.

A fact often overlooked, or not always understood, is that women suffer as much from distressing kidney and bladder troubles as the men. The womb is situated back of and very close to the bladder, and for that reason any distress, disease or inconvenience manifested in the kidneys, back, bladder or urinary passage is often, by mistake, attributed to female weakness or womb trouble of some sort.

The error is easily made and may be as easily avoided by setting urine aside for twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling is evidence that your kidneys and bladder need doctoring. If you have pain or dull aching in the back, pass water too frequently, or scantily supply, with smarting or burning,—these are also convincing proofs of kidney trouble. If you have doctored without benefit, try Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy. The mild and the extraordinary effect will surprise you. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures. If you take a medicine you should take the best. At druggist fifty cents and one dollar. You may have a sample bottle and pamphlet, both sent free by mail, upon receipt of three two-cent stamps to cover cost of postage on the bottle. Mention THE DEMOCRAT and send your address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N.Y.

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"	No. 16	3:10 p. m.
"	No 4	5:53 p. m.
"	Cannon Ball	10:05 p. m.

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Local	"	10. 35 a. m

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75c	" " " "	50c
65c	" " " "	40c
50c	" " " "	35c
1.25	Black Puoi-de-Ioi Silk at	1.00
1.00	" " "	75c
1.25	Fancy Dress Silk at	85c

We have a very large quantity of cheaper silks ranging in price from

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A big lot of Colored Chiffon Crepe worth 12½c, we will sell for a short time at

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We have a large assortment of Organdies different patterns and styles, worth 20 to 35c, choice at 15c.

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THURSDAY, APRIL 21, 1898.

P. C. THOMPSON, Editor and Proprietor
WALTER B. WILSON, Local Editor.

Dr. Swallow a democrat, announces as an independent candidate for Governor of Pennsylvania on the platform, "Thou shalt not steal." Is this another slap at the Chicago Convention?

The Woodmen of The World had an Unveiling at Fort Worth Sunday. Upwards of 500 attended from Shrman.

Miss Laurine Garr aged 16 years, whose parents reside in Sherman Texas died suddenly of heart failure at her home April 16.

While on a fishing tour near San Angelo the 15 year old son of D. E. Sims was accidently shot and killed by his companion William Eads.

"Will you walk into my primary says the candidate to the voter, 'tis the prettiest little scheme—"

The Prison Bulletin is the name of a bright ably edited moral paper published by inmates of the state Prison at Huntsville. We X with pleasure and will be gratified if we but cause one ray of joy and light to fall across the path of its promoters and associates.

The editor of THE DEMOCRAT acknowledges a kindinvitation to attend the Unveiling to be in the near future, of the Monument of John H. Akin at Blue Ridge by the Woodmen of the World.

By request of its Editor, Dr. D. H. Hancock, we request any of our readers, who may wish to do so, to send for a sample copy of the Temperance Banner, published at Farmersville, Texas.

The war scare has no doubt injured the business of the country to a great extent. The cotton seed oil mill at Sherman closed down because of inability of getting accumulated stock moved from Galveston port. The mill here is now running but reports from other points indicats that there has been a heavy blockade in business.

D. C. Gibson of Mormon Grove Grayson county Tex. in writing to THE DEMOCRAT takes the position that the claim that Wynne is a populist is a scheme to toll populists into the primaries in order to hold them for Crane in the general election, who is the slated candidate by the state gang for Governor. He suggests that boodle has been distributed to a certain class of newspapers and orators to get their support in an effort to hoodwink the people.

"Not for any office under the sun would I repudidate your friendship or your creed." These were the words of Tom Watson in his address to Georgia populists. What a noble utterance as compared to the trechery and deceit others. These words are the essence of integrity, honesty and faithfullness. Even the poisonous tongue of slander, the serpent of treachery and all the combined inequity of the opposition failed to swerve the red headed Georgian from his principles.

Fled with Her Babe.

A telegram from Mississippi was shown Sheriff Coffey Friday, stating a man named Bowling was enroute to McKinney armed to the teeth in search of his child which had been brought here by its mother. The telegram warned all to keep out of harm's way. Sheriff Coffey immediately repaired to the fleeing wife's relatives two and a half miles south of town. He found that the father had preceeded him there and had taken possession of the premises, including the child. On a box in the yard the officer found a brace of pistols but the father was unarmed and the mother averred that she herself had brought the weapons to Texas. The officer brought the child in dispute and its parents to McKinney where they compromised their differences and agreed to remain in Texas. A decree that the child should not be taken out of the state was entered by Judge Abernathy on the county court docket and the husband and wife, with their 11 month's old infant, were sent on their way rejoicing.

Proceedings of Weston Local Institute.

Weston Institute was called to order by our regular Chairman, W. W. Miller.

All subjects were ably discussed. The debate Saturday was well attended, and fine music was furnished by Weston band.

Prof. Erwin was unanimously called to address the people but owing to previous engagements refused.

We, the teachers of Weston Institute regret that we have to lose our most able chairman next winter. He informs us that he will leave our county the next term. G. W. SCOGGINS, Secretary.

LIST OF LETTERS

Remaining unclaimed in the postoffice, at McKinney, Tex April, 20, '98, which, if unclaimed in two weeks, will be sent to Dead Letter Office at Washington, D. C.

LADIES.

Angel Lizzie	Camp Lona
Coop J B	Crowder Amy
Duncan George L	Howel Lisey
Gergary Annie	Hopkins Jossie
Johnson Bell	Kinney Mattie
Majorse Larra	Miller Charles
Merrick J J	Murray Adelia
Phillips A A	Robberts Nellie
Smith Hattie	Thomas Fannie

GENTLEMAN.

Bowman J R 2	Burks J G
Colier Joe	Fowler O B
Graves Paddy	Grison Matilda
Hayworth C W	Hicks R L
McMahan John	Ray J S
Ussery W P	Smith M C
Yeast George	Williams Will
Williams Rush B	

Persons calling for letters on this list must say "advertised" or they may fail to get them.

Mrs. M. A. Cameron, Postmistress.

Altoga Aftermaths.

Altoga Texas, Apr. 18 1898. John George was here recently.

Mrs. Pophen and Miss Cannon of Cleveland Tennessee are visiting their Sister Mrs. W. H. Rucker at this place.

Johnson school closed last Friday week April 8.

Joe Vermillion of Nevada was visiting his parents here this week.

Altoga school closed April 8.

Mr. Johnson who represents the Gazette was here Tuesday.

Wash Hale after being absent from this place some four months returned a few days ago.

Miss Cassie Clark returned to her home at Lavon Wednesday after teaching a five months school at this place in which she gave almost universal satisfaction.

Mr. and Mrs. King of Viney Grove comunity visited A. L. Hatler Sunday.

Rector Vermillion is teaching a subscription school at Altoga school house.

The rain that fell Sunday night was needed very much in this section of the county.

S H. Fox candidate for commissioner was here a few days ago in the interest of his race for that office, also, T. S. Jackson for county attorney.

Bill Hart of Blue Ridge was here Thursday.

The Primitive Baptist had services at Johnson school house Sunday.

Bro. Morgan of McKinney filled his regular appointment Sunday morning at 11 o'clock owing to bad weather there was no services Sunday night.

QUIEN SABE.

Will C. Gates was stabbed and instantly killed by Louis Burgess in a bar-room in Louisville Ky. The trouble arose over a dispute on the Cuban question.

Ash Grove.

Apr. 15, '98.

The farmers are all rejoicing over the late rain.

Herschel Self is slowly recovering.

Miss Etna Kennedy is visiting relatives in this community this week.

Rev. R. C. Horn preached to a crowded house Sunday night.

A large crowd attended the Easter service at Ash Grove Sunday quite an interesting program was carried out.

Bud Foster and sister of Woodlawn visited the Misses Carters Sunday.

There will be preaching at the Grove next Sunday morning and prayer meeting at night.

The singing conducted by Prof. Southerland will close Friday night.

Mr. Fred Burge who is attending Fort Worth College visited his parents and attended the Easter service Sunday.

Booker Blarden and family from McKinney spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Angel.

The debating society is progressing well it will meet next Saturday night week.

TWO LILIES.

Bowlby Buds

April 18, 1898.

We had something like a 2 inch rain yesterday and last night which was very much needed oats were suffering very badly. Corn is coming up very nicely, some cotton is coming up wheat is in excellent condition.

A. J. Crutcher has added more room to his dwelling.

Our school closed last saturday Prof. Parker treated his school to ice-cream they had a nice time.

Several of our boys attended the exhibition at Lone Elm last Saturday night.

Dr. A. T. Bryant and wife of McKinney attended church at this place last sunday week and took dinner with Mrs. M. J. Hickey.

Edd Westfall and family visited relatives two days last week near Lebanon.

Next Saturday night and Sunday is Eld. Jobe's regular appointment.

Yours for peace
Central.

Marriage Licenses.

The following marriage licenses have been recorded in the County Clerk's office since last report;

C C Vilititan and Miss M E Black.

A W McDonald and Miss Sarah A Marriott.

W H Spaugh and Miss Davia Hathorn.

Charles Watson and Miss Bessie Christie.

District Court.

State v. Will Lyons, aggravated assault, fine $87.50.

State v. W. W. Gregory, theft from person, not guilty.

State v. J. F. McKissick, forgery, plea guilty, 2 years in penitentiary.

State v. Hilburn Hart, forgery, jury disagree.

State v. J. A. Evans, embezzlement, not guilty.

State v. O. Powell, assault with intent to kill, not guilty.

State v. Robt Reed, assault to murder, not guilty.

State v. Jno. Jones, forgery, 2 years in penitentiary.

State v. C. I. Wolfe, attempted bribery, 2 years in penitentiary.

State v. Jim Johnson and Will Grimes, burglary, 2 years in penitentiary.

State v. Walter Edwards, burglary, 2 years in reformatory.

State v. A. P. Richie, case in hands of jury.

Whites Grove Whittlings.

Apr. 18th, '98.

The much needed rain has come and this morning everything shows that Springtime is here.

There is considerable complaint of chinch bug in the young corn, but suppose the present rain will stop the damage they are doing.

There has been a singing organized at the Grove. Singing every Sunday evening at 4 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Shields of Denison are visiting their parents Mr. George Shields and Mrs. McMahan.

Mr. Charlie Hearldston of Santa Anna, Texas is visiting his aunt Mrs. Slater.

Mr. Nichols and family of Bois d'Arc visited their parents Mr. and Mrs. Sperry last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bell were the guest's of Mrs. and Mrs Slater Sunday.

Mr. Tommy Millstead made a business trip to Dallas recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Vantrese were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Young Sunday.

Bro. Rosch preached to a good audience Sunday at the Grove.

Next Sunday is Bro. Morgan's regular appointment at the Grove.

BLACK EYES.

Wetsel Windings

Apr. 18, '98.

Mr. and Mrs. George Shields of Wetsel gave a birthday dinner Sunday in honor of their son, Mr. Leslie Shields and wife of Denison, those present were T. A. Murry, Lewis McMahan, Rus Calhoon, J. B. Rhoden, John Babitt, Tom Shields J. A. McMahan and Mrs. Stephens. Everything passed nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. Hudson are all smiles—its a girl.

The spelling at Wetsel was very well attended Saturday night.

Miss Lula Shields was the guest of Mrs. Joe McMahan one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Perkins were shopping in town one day last week.

Wheat, oats and corn is looking fine after the rain.

JIM CROW.

Bois d'Arc Apples.

Apr. 18, '98.

Editor Harper and Jerry Magner were out this way Sunday.

The exhibition at Lone Elm Saturday night was well represented from this community also the Literary at Bloomdale on Friday night last.

Mrs. J. C. Coleman and daughter have been visiting Alfred Chandler the past week.

Jno. Johnson is the owner of a new buggy.

The surveyors of the Elm Valley R. R. was at work out here a few days since, we expect 'ere long to hear the shrill whistle and clang of the bell in Wilson creek.

Bottom cotton is about all planted the acreage is smaller than usual.

Miss Bertha Jones of McKinney has been visiting the Misses Roberts the past week.

Some one "borrowed" Mr. Lou Edwards buggy harness last Saturday night and have forgotten to return them.

Mr. and Mrs. Hartsel of Vineland have a very sick child.

Mr. J. A. Faulkner was in the Forrest Grove community one day the past week.

Mrs. Johnson and family were visiting the formers sister, Mrs. Morgan Moore of Valdasta the past week.

Lee Roberts is going to Elm fishing this week.

Mr. Anderson Briningstool is very sick and is not expected to recover.

Jas. Kirkland has a new bicycle. REUBEN.

MILLINERY.....

Mrs. Harper late of Kentucky is now in charge of the

Millinery and Dressmaking Department

OF THE "FAIR."

She is an Artist in her line and solicits

A Share of the Trade.

She makes a specialty of remodeling and trimming Hats.

Call and make her acquaintance.

At The FAIR.

Hammond & Sneed,

Proprietors.

Spring Medicine

These two words emphasize a necessity and indicate a remedy.

SPRING—the season when the blood is most impure as a result of the winter's closer confinement, higher living, slower action of the kidneys and liver; when humors of all kinds, boils, pimples and eruptions are most liable to appear; when the weak, languid condition of the whole bodily structure demands and welcomes help.

MEDICINE—that to which the millions turn at this season—Hood's Sarsaparilla. The *original* and *only* preparation especially adapted to the present needs of the human family; that which makes the blood pure and clean, as shown by its thousands of wonderful cures of dreadful blood diseases; creates an appetite and cures dyspepsia, as shown by its "magic touch" in all stomach troubles; steadies and strengthens the nerves, as proved by people formerly nervous, now calm and self-possessed, thanks to

Only those who have been relieved of great suffering can fully appreciate the gratitude with which the testimonials overflow written in favor of Hood's Sarsaparilla.

"C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.:

"Dear Sirs:—"I gladly tell what Hood's Sarsaparilla has done for me, and I desire to have my statement published, for Hood's Sarsaparilla cannot be too highly praised. I was troubled with indigestion and my health was very poor. For seven long years I was a constant sufferer. I tried many different remedies but without avail and I became so low I had given up all hope of recovery. My blood was poisoned and my limbs were a

Solid Mass of Sores.

I was confined to the house and to my bed most of the time. I happened to read an advertisement of Hood's Sarsaparilla in the paper and I at once prevailed upon my husband to let me try it. I got a bottle and it did me so much good that I kept using it until I had taken twelve bottles, and now I am entirely cured. I am a well and a hearty woman and can do my work with ease and comfort. I am thankful for the benefit I have received from Hood's Sarsaparilla and shall ever praise it for saving my life." MRS. LOUISA MATLOCK, Box 11, Bonita, Texas. Hood's Sarsaparilla is

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Because of what it has done for others; because you ought this spring to take that which will do you the most good.

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Bears the Signature of
The Kind You Have Always Bought

THE DEMOCRAT.

SUPPLEMENT---McKinney, Texas, Thursday, April 21, 1898.

City Council.

The city council was in session Tuesday night. The usual routine business of reading minut, filing reports, approving accounts was had. Bonds of newly elected officers were approved, Jack Steel owner of the sewerage system filed a bond of $1000 for faithful perfomance of contract in laying mains. E. H. Bowlby was elected recorder. Charlie Mixon was elected night watchman. There were 14 applicants for the latter position. There was a tie in the vote between R. C. Knot and Charlie Mixon. The mayor cast the deciding vote infavor of the latter.

Phillip Jackson was elected city scavenger.

The council repealed the ordinance regarding the gold bonds of the water works. The bonds will be made payable in legal tender money of the United States instead of gold. This action was made necessary on account of attorney general Crane refusing to approve the form bonds until the courts decided upon their legality.

Miss Mamie Dowell handed in her resignation as Supernumerary of the public school.

The Mayor was instructed to draw up an ordinance providing for the sale of property in default of city taxes due, said ordinance to be in accordance to the state law for the sale of property to collect taxes.

At a former meeting of council afranchise was granted by the city council to Mr. John Steele to conduct a system of sewerage in McKinney. The franchise is for fifty years but giving the city the privilege of buying after a period of 5 years at an appraised valuation.

McDonald—Marriott.

A. W. McDonald of Wylie was married Sunday to Miss Sallie Marriott. Rev. W. T. Newsome officiated at the ceremony which took place at 3 p. m. at Gabe Marriott's, the brides's brother, near Winningkoff. A number of friends and relatives were present to offer congratulations. Both the contracting parties are highly esteemed by hosts of acquaintances. THE DEMOCRAT wishes them a long future of domestic felicity.

McELREE'S

Wine of Cardui

has demonstrated ten thousand times that it is almost infallible

FOR WOMAN'S PECULIAR WEAKNESSES,

irregularities and derangements. It has become the leading remedy for this class of troubles. It exerts a wonderfully healing, strengthening and soothing influence upon the menstrual organs. It cures "whites" and falling of the womb. It stops flooding and relieves suppressed and painful menstruation. For Change of Life it is the best medicine made. It is beneficial during pregnancy, and helps to bring children into homes barren for years. It invigorates, stimulates, strengthens the whole system. This great remedy is offered to all afflicted women. Why will any woman suffer another minute with cer ain relief within reach? Wine of Cardui only costs $1.00 per bottle at your drug store.

For advice, in cases requiring special directions, address, giving symptoms, the "Ladies' Advisory Department," The Chattanooga Medicine Co., Chattanooga, Tenn.

Rev. J. W. SMITH, Camden, S. C., says: "My wife used Wine of Cardui at home for labor, by the bomb and it entirely cured her."

John R. Smith.

In this issue will be found the announcement of John R. Smith as a candidate for representative subject to the action of the democratic party. Mr. Smith has been a citizen of East Collin for a long period and stands well with his neighbors. His declaration of principles are printed in circular form, which he says he will elaborate and defend on the stump in due time. From his platform we quote:

1st. I favor a constitutional amendment abolishing theoffice of as assessor andcollector and to let Justices of the Peace in each precinct assess and make out the tax rolls of his precinct and let the sheriff collect the taxes and to pay them just half the fees now paid.

2nd. I favor a law abolishing the office of County School Superintendent and apply his salary of $1,200 to the available school fund of Collin county.

3rd. I favor a law creating the office of County Auditor for all counties that now have a School Superintendent and require him to perform the duties now required of the School Superintendent and in addition require him to audit the accounts of all county officers, for if this was done it would be impossible for any county officer to default. For this service I would pay the Auditor a salary of $1,000 out of county funds.

4th. I am in favor of abolishing the occupation tax on merchants, doctors, lawyers, etc. for it is not just to tax a man on his poll and property and then tax him for the right to follow his profession.

5th. I favor a law making it a felony for any railroad officer or agent to offer a free pass to any public officer, and also a felony for any officer to accept it, excepting Sheriffs, Constables, Marshals or other peace officers.

6th. I favor a law abolishing mileage to members of the legislature and in lieu thereof to require the Comptroller of the state to purchase a ticket and forward to each member 30 days before the assembling of the legislature, provided, however, should there be a called session the members can buy their tickets themselves and have the money refunded by the Comptroller upon making sworn statement that they paid actual cash for the ticket and producing the agent's receipt for same.

7th. It being very hard to pass a law against trusts that will be constitutional, I will favor a law making all bills sold by any trust in Texas non-collectable by law. I believe strictly in paying debts, especially when we can, but this seems to be the only way to enact a law against trusts that can stand the tests of the courts.

8th. I favor a law raising the age of consent to 18 years and making seduction a felony with a penalty of from ten to twenty years in state prison.

9th. I favor making the scholastic age in the free school from 6 to 21 years.

10th. I shall oppose any encroachments upon the permanent school fund, believing it should be perpetuated and protected as a sacred trust left by the patriots and fathers of Texas to our children.

11th. I am opposed to working state convicts on farms in competition with free labor, but the long term convicts should be kept in the walls of the state prison and the others should be utilized in building a railroad from the gulf to Red river and in working on the public roads of the state.

I desire to make a joint canvass of the county with my opponents and discuss these questions upon the stump. Yours truly,

JOHN R. SMITH.

WAR RESOLUTIONS.

The Joint Resolutions Passed by the Senate and House and Signed by the President.

THE SPANISH SHOW NO DISPOSITION TO RECEDE.

WAR PREPARATIONS.

Washington, April 19.

At an early hour this morning the two houses of congress reached an agreement on the Cuban question.

The result is that recognition of the present republic of Cuba was beaten.

Spain must take her army and navy away from Cuba and Cuban waters and go at once.

The president is authorized to use the army and navy of the United States to drive Spain from Cuba if she refuses to go peaceably.

The resolutions will be sent to the president this morning.

A long and bitter parliamentary struggle preceded the adoption of the resolutions.

TEXT OF THE RESOLUTIONS.

Washington, April 19.—The following resolutions passed the two houses of congress this morning:

Joint resolution for the recognition of the independence of the people of Cuba, demanding that the government of Spain relinquish its authority and government in the island of Cuba and to withdraw its land and naval forces from Cuba and Cuban waters, and directing the president of the United States to use the land and naval forces of the United States to carry these resolutions into effect.

Whereas, the abhorrent conditions which have existed for more than three years in the island of Cuba, so near our own borders, have shocked the moral sense of the people of the United States have been a disgrace to Christian civilization, culminating as they have in destroying a United States battleship, with 266 of its officers and crew while on a friendly visit to the harbor of Havana, and can not longer be endured, as has been set forth by the president of the United States in his message to congress of April 11, 1898, upon which the action of congress is invited; therefore

Resolved, by the senate and house of representatives of the United States of America, in congress assembled:

1. That the people of the island of Cuba are, and of right ought to be, free and independent.

2. That it is the duty of the United States to demand, and the government of the United States does hereby demand, that the government of Spain at once relinquish its authority and government in the island of Cuba and withdraw its land and naval forces from Cuba and from Cuban waters.

3. That the president of the United States be, and hereby is, directed and empowered to use the entire land and naval forces of the United States, and call into active service the militia of the several states, to such an extent as may be necessary to carry these resolutions into effect.

4. That the United States hereby disclaims any disposition or intention to exercise sovereignty, jurisdiction or control over said island, except for the pacification thereof, and asserts its determination when that is accomplished to leave the government and control of the island to its people.

The One Predominating Word is War

Madrid, Apr. 19. 7:30 p. m.—At this hour the lobbies of the parliament are crowded with members, new deputies and politicians, all discussing the situation. The one predominating word is "war."

El Epoca (conservative) asserts that "anarchy reigns in the legislative and executive branches of the American government," after pointing out "the unpreparedness for war of the United States."

El Imparcial says it considers President McKinley "simultaneously daring and weak, yielding to jingo demands and yet saddling his parliament with the responsibility."

It quotes from recognized text books to prove that there has been a "violation of the constitution in the later legislative and executive procedure," and adds: "While President McKinley requires the free hand, congress votes a mandate, the president remaining impotent to resist the war party or to rouse peaceful influences."

THURSDAY, APR. 21.

The president signed the joint war resolutions Wednesday at 10:30 a. m., and sent through Minister Woodford at Madrid the ultimatum of the United States to Spain. The ultimatum call for the evacuation of Cuba at once by the Spanish army. The Spanish cortez convened Wednesday. The Queen's address and action of the Senators were like war. There is no disposition today (Thursday) on the part of Spain to back down, consequently war is expected to begin in a few days. Troops are massing near the Southern Coast rapidly. Last evening at Madrid Senator Sagasta was asked what was the feeling of the Spanish Cabinet. He simply replied, "War! War!" The Spanish Minister, Palo, at Washington has left for his country, his passport, at his request, was given to him yesterday. Minister Woodford will leave Madrid today, in all probability. An emergency war measure passed the House yesterday authorizing the president to call out the volunteer forces and providing for their organization. Nothing can prevent war except a final backdown by one of the two governments which seems most improbable at this moment.

AS WE GO TO PRESS AT 11 A. M. THURSDAY. A TELEGRAM ANNOUNCES THAT WOODFORD HAS BEEN GIVEN HIS PASSPORT CONSEQUENTLY THERE IS NO ONE AT MADRID TO DELIVER THE PRESIDENT'S ULTIMATUM. THE CRISIS HAS REACHED A CLIMAX.

J. L. Wilson editor of the Weekly Sherman Democrat was in the city last Saturday. He says that Crane and Gough will carry the democratic primary in Grayson county.

In times like these it is not the part of Wisdom and Patriotism to indulge in random charges against high officials. If charges are made let them be specific and supported by uncontrovertable proofs.

The jury in the case of A. P. Richie charged with killing Pink Mankin Oct. 31, 1896, returned a verdict of guilty and sentenced him to life time imprisonment. It will be remembered that on a former trial Richie was sentenced for life but got a new trial.

Invitations are out for the marriage of Joseph W. Barnes to Miss Florrie Largent, Tuesday evening April 26, at the Christian church in this city.

RELIGIOUS.

The "Methodist Church Bulletin" last Sunday contained some crisp editorial paragraphs from the pen of pastor J. W. Hill. These are a sample:

If it is the duty of anyone to attend the prayer-meeting, it is your duty.

The member who makes the biggest kick always pays the least money.

Don't be a hypocrite. Don't be a coward. Do right, and face the consequences.

When one neglects a known duty he starts out to find some other delinquent. Better go and kick yourself, brother.

The Revival at Fairfield has been quite a success Several additions to the church was the result.

Father Baker will conduct services at the Catholic Church in this city, at 10 a. m. Sunday.

The following is clipped from "Round About" in Dallas News:

"Mr. William G. Crush will depart for the east this morning, and on his return trip Mrs. Crush will accompany him. The follow announcement cards were received by his friends in this city yesterday: "Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Rosenbaum (Camden, N.J.) desire your presence at the marriage of their daughter, Kathrine Hay, to Mr. William G. Crush, Wednesday evening, April 20, at 5 o'clock St. Joseph's church, Philadelphia, Pa." Mr. Crush's friends were extending hearty congratulations last night. Mr. Crush and bride will arrive in Dallas on or about May 2."

To the bride and groom we extend hearty congratulations—trusting that their future pathway will meander through a wilderness of flowers and finally terminate in the realm of eternal joy.

Mr. Carter of the county clerks office finished recording a heavy mortgage last week. It was made by The Postal Telegraph company of Texas in favor of the Old Colony Trust Company of Boston, Mass., for the amount of $2,000,000 at the rate of 5 per cent int. per annum payable in 30 years from date with a sinking fund from Jan. 1. 1898. The instrustment consisted in 25 page s of printed matter.

"Yankee Doodle" and "Dixie."

Nashville, Tenn., Apr. 19.—Gov. Taylor sent the following telegram to President McKinley:

"Tennessee awaits your call for volunteers. The blue and gray will march together into battle, keeping step to the music of 'Yankee Doodle' and 'Dixie,' and the fur will fly and the earth will tremble."

The Soldier and His Gal.

A reporter of THE DEMOCRAT while in quest of "War" News yesterday met up with Capt. J. H. Jenkins of this city whom everyone knows to be one of the oldest citizens of this section whose honorable hairs arewhitening but whose step is yet nimble and whose jolly face reflects the pright anticipations of the long ago—with no clouded future—being at peace with all maukind and with his maker. Mr. Jenkins was not long in explaining to us that he is not a Jingo and has no particular desire for war. The subject, however, seemed to refresh his mind and instantly the memories of camp life rushed upon him. Incidents of the ridiculous and the sublime were related. From a huge bundle of War papers we pulled the following poem written by CaptJinkswhile in camp nearMurphrysboro, Tennessee. We understand that Mr. Jenkins does not claim to be a poet laureate but all must admit that for originality and a candid exposition of truthful description he is a success.

Some years ago in civil times,
'Twas in the Lone Star State,
When all was smiles and crinoline,
I tho't I'd chose my mate.

I fell in love with a village belle,
Who set my heart to blazing,
Though her name I'd better not tell,
I loved her most amazing.

But rather than leave in doubt,
Or have others bear the blame,
I think it best to tell right out,
Her name was Sally Jane.

I thought she was an angel drapped
From out the court of Kings,
Though I did not hear her flap,
I'm sure she did have wings.

About this time a call was made
For troops to meet the foe;
To my surprise Miss Sallie said
If she was a man she'd go.

Oh, shocking mercy, now I broiled,
My patriotism o'erflowing,
I swore if all the others failed,
I for one was going.

But then I thought of Sally dear,
And oh, what pitious sight,
She'd melt away to sighs and tears,
While I'm going off to fight.

To Sally then I soon made known
My war-like declaration,
And how in distant lands I'd roam,
For her own dear protection.

With tremulous lips and down cast eyes
She sighed of broken links,
And with an angel's voice she cried,
"Bully, bully for Jinks."

At length I went to take my leave
Of Sal and all the friends,
And whispered 'can't you wait my love
Till this great struggle ends?"

Then with a smile she pressed my hand,
And oh, what heavenly bliss,
When on my lips she gently pressed,
The long remembered kiss.

With soul elate and hopes revived,
'Pon what I'd seen and heard,
And with the soul-reviving thought,
That action speak louder than words.

We marched to meet the Yankee elfs,
And I don't care a thinkee,
I swore that I could by myself,
Whip any ten live Yankees.

And as we passed through many tights
O'er mountain, hill and valley,
I only thought of Southern rights,
And always thought of Sally.

At length we met the Yankee host,
And had a most dreadful fray,
Where many Yanks gave up the ghost,
And many ran away.

But still the fiery missels fell,
So fast no soul could face 'em
Grape and minnie, shot and shell,
So fast I could almost taste 'em.

And as we flanked by left and rights,
I saw the blue coats coming,
I'd gave my share in Southern rights,
To had them stop their bombing.

But when I heard the big gun sneeze,
I swear I was so bad scared,
I felt a trembling in my knees,
And prone to advance backward.

At length the Yanks began to git,
Then we began to rally,
And then I tho't how I had fit,
And won a fight for Sally.

The battle o'er, we all returned
To camps in peace again,
And how much my heart did burn,
To hear from Sal agaiu.

At length we all got letters,
Myself and all my mess,
And who had writ these letters,
No human soul could guess.

But oh, my heart was doomed to bleed,
I'll tell you the reason why,
My heart is almost breaking,
Excuse me while I cry.

A custom then in camps prevailed,
In order to get the news more fully,
That each should read the others letters
Which all agreed was bully.

Then each began to read aloud,
To see how they would tally,
And to my great astonishment,
They were every one from Sally.

She said she loved us every one,
And oh, what a withering blast,
I saw from how the letters run,
That I was least and last.

I ripped, I swore, I cussed and tore,
And prayed "oh, death come take me,
And centipedes my bones devour,
Rattlesnakes come bite me."

The boys all became alarmed,
Some thought me on a bender,
But all agreed twould do no harm,
To send for Doctor Pender.

The doctor came with visage grave,
His words were mild and tame,
Says he 'young man where lies your pain?"
Says I, "Sir, Sally Jane."

"Thomas," "says he, bring here my squintum,
Likewise my gum guaccum,
It's clear to my perceptum,
He's taken suicidum.

He called for pen, ink and paper;
Looked wise and then he writ
A learned and able prescription,
Which read as follows, to-wit:

"Ten drops emulchines turpentinus,
Ten drops hezoro cumyiri,
Mix with spirits winus:
Take three drops with care sine die."

The boys all gathered around me,
As though there was something to sell.
Then sighed as they walked away from me,
"Gone under, gone under, old fell."

On the gronnd under a large old chestnut,
I lay for three days without sleeping,
At length I became convalescent,
And soon commenced feeling my keeping.

But I felt myself sorely agrieved,
As though I had met with defeat,
Picked up, sucked in and deceived,
Out flanked and forced to retreat.

My hopes were all withered and blighted,
Alone in this wide world I sat,
My heart all broke to a frazzle,
My head turned gray as a rat.

Then came friends Tom, Jim and Andy
With whom I found ready relief at
A jug of Confederate brandy,
My grief knocked into a cocked hat.

I vowed that gals were humbugs,
Fickle, uncertain, mere chaff,
That a kiss from the mouth of that rum jug,
Was sweeter than Sally by half.

That girls were only mortal things;
That love was all a hoax,
'Twas all mere stuff about their wings,
They had feet and legs like other folks.

We rank to each a life of bliss,
Till our heads grew light and swimming,
And vowed to shun the subtle kiss,
Of false and cruel wimming.

But now I'm up and tottering on,
I'll sing one good old song,
Eat my grub and drink my grog,
And let the world wag on.

And as I'm freed from all my woes,
To one resolve I'm driven,
That gals are all a fleeting show,
"For a man's illusion given.

For Sal was married long ago,
To a gallant dashing knight,
A gallant daring stay-at-home,
That wouldn't go to fight.

They say she has a baby, too,
A great big squalling brat,
And something else they tell me,
A great deal worse than that.

They say she took my dogretype,
I gave her, (excuse me while I curse,)
And gave it to the baby,
To make the little devil hush.

That baby grew pugnacious,
And threw it 'gainst the shovel,
And broke into smashes,
The little squalling devil.

As Sally swept the pieces out,
I hear her sigh, methinks,
As one by one they tumble out,
"Here goes the last of Jinks."

W. A. Parker's school at Bowlby closed Friday last.

W. G. Thomas sold a fine horse recently to a Dallas buyer.

C. K. Beyett and family have moved to Dallas where Mr. Beyett will continue in the employ of C. L. Mistrot.

C. W. Parker of Sherman visited in McKinney Sunday. Mrs. Parker is in San Antonio.

Mr. Fred Everett of Farmersville came over in a buggy to visit in Mc Kinney Sunday.

Prof. Yarbrough's school at Forest Grove closed last Friday.

Mrs. Marshall and her force of workers have been exceedingly busy preparing beautiful Spring head wear for the ladies.

The Rushlights met with Miss Merritt last Thursday. Miss Frances Abernathy will entertain them this (Thursday) evening. The Owl Club is invited to be present.

Frank Gutgesell's case was continued.

Editor Ball of the Courier and Will Parker were out shooting plover yesterday.

Many of our Nimrods are out hunting prairie game—not Spaniards.

C. L. Snyder of Climax was on our streets recently. He is an esteemed citizen and progressive farmer. The populists of precinct No. 2 made no mistake in placing their party emblem in his hands when they recently nominated him for county commissioner. He will carry it to victory with honor to himself and credit to the party which nominated him.

Jess Warden took a collection to secure telegraph news regarding war progress over the cotton exchange wire. The service began yesterday.

The K. of P. lodge here is growing at a rapid rate as is also the Rathbone Sister organization. Arrangements have been completed for the purchase of a piano to place in the hall.

Misses Josie Davis, Josie Talkington, Mrs. W. W. Davis, Dr. T. G. Boorman and Walter B. Wilson are attending the state meeting of the Epworth League at Galveston this week.

"Walks about Rome" was the theme of Homer T. Wilson at the Baptist church Monday night. In his usual masterly manner he handled his subject thrilling his audience to the highest pitch Logical, earnestness and beauty characterized the lecture which was favorably commented on by all who had the good fortune to hear him.

The following most beautiful verses are aprops of the fusion contention:

Tnere was a young lady in Niger,
Who went out to ride with a tiger,
They returned from the ride with the lady inside,
And a smile on the face of the tiger.

Teachers Examination.

Teachers examination for the Public schools of McKinney will take place May 6 and 7.

Mr. and Mrs. Foote

Dr. and Mrs. G. A. Foote arrived home Tuesday on the 3:10 southbound train after an extended bridal tour. They were welcomed by quite a number of friends. The bride and groom immediately went to the home of the Doctor in northwest McKinney. THE DEMOCRAT extends hearty congratulations with the hope that their future will be one of peace and joy—sunshine and flowers of hope with a final, enternal bliss.

Picnic and Decoration

All those interested in the Horn Cemetery are notified that our annual decoration day is Tuesday the 26inst. In the forenoon R. C. Horn will celebrate his 54th anniversary at his residence near the cemetery. There will be a nice program carried out to the benefit of all. Those coming will please bring baskets of provisions as dinner will be the picnic part.

Obituary.

Mrs. L. J. Fortner was born in North Carolina Nov. 17, 1827; went to Tennessee with her parents when very small and was married to David H. Fortner in Knox county, Tennessee in 1864. More than forty years ago she professed religion at Bells campground in Knox county, Tennessee and joined the Methodist church. In 1885 she moved from Tennessee to Texas and since has lived in and near McKinney. She was one of the most faithful devout and consistent members of the McKinney M. E. church. Advaneed age nor adverse conditions could not deter her from regularly attending every religious service. Her whole existence seemed wrapped up in the service of her Master and the advancement of His earthly kingdom; in the words of her pastor Rev. J. W. Hill, over her dead body, "she dreaded not death, but looked upon it as an emancipation." On her death bed she found consolation in the faith to which she never lost an opportunity of testifying during a long life of service to God. Death relieved her suffering Thursday April 14, the funeral taking place next day at 2 p. m. from the Methodist church and burial at Pecan Grove cemetery.

"Rest for the toiling hand,
Rest for the anxious brow,
Rest for the weary, waysore feet,
Rest from all labor now."

To the surviving son and daughter the tender recollection of mother's entire, childlike reliance upon the Great Author of all will be a healing balm to their wounded hearts and a glorious heritage to emulate.

Bradley Childress has been appointed postmaster at Rheas Mill. He is the right man in the right place.

Viney Grove Veerings.

Death Caused By Blood Poison—Other Items of Interest.

Apr. 19, '98.

There was no Sunday school at the Chapel Sunday evening on account of rain.

Miss Ida Boyer commenced teaching a subscription school at Johnson school house last Monday morning, having enrolled forty-eight pupils.

Misses Cora and Lula Martin and Ora Straughan visited Miss Cora Caldwall at Climax Saturday night and returned home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. King visited the family of A. M. Hatler Saturday night, and attended church services at Altoga Sunday.

Mrs. Fannie Hatler returned home Saturday after a three months visit to her daughter Mrs. John Poe and other relatives in Oklahoma Territory.

Mrsses Julia Farley and Bessie Bell were guests of Misses Cora and Lula Martin Tuesday night.

Mr. J. T. Couch and lady of McKinney passed through this community Saturday evening, en route to Altgo.

Miss Cora Caldwell who is conducting a music class at this place visited Farmersville last Monday.

The little 8-year-old son of a Mr. Poston living near here died Friday night of blood poisoning and was buried Saturday at the Higdon cemetery. TICKY.

Local Option.

The local option election at Anna, Melissa and Seven Points last Saturday resulted as follows:

ANNA.

For	187
Against	56

MELISSA.

For	86
Against	5

SEVEN POINTS.

For	64
Against	6

M'KINNEY MARKETS.

[CORRECTED WEEKLY.]

Cotton	4.50 to 5.70
Wheat per bus	90to 93cts.
Corn per bus	34to 40cts.
Oats per bus	22 to 34cts
Hay baled per ton	$6.00 to $6.50
Millet hay per ton	$5.50 to $6.50.
Flour per cwt	$2.40 to $2.75.
Cotton seed per ton	$8.00.
Baled Oats per ton	$5.00.
Meal per bus	45 to 50cts.
Straw per ton	$4.00 $4.50
Chops per cwt	75cts.
Bran per cwt	75 to 80cts.
Butter per lb	10 to 12½cts.
Eggs per doz	7 1-2 to 10cts.
Lard per lb	6½ to 7½cts.
Sheep	$2.50 to $3.00.
Hogs per cwt	$3.10 to $3.25.
Beef on foot per cwt	$3.00 to $3.50
Beef dressed per lb	5 to 6cts.
Dressed pork per lb	4 4 1-2cts.
Chickens per doz	$1.75 to 2.25.
Irish Potatoes, per bu	75 to 80cts.
Sweet Potatoes, per bu	50 to 75cts.

Dr. Jas. A. Caldwell.

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Melton's Message....

To the people of Collin County in regard to their continuous struggle for sustenance:

McKinney, Texas, April 14, 1898.

"I do not ask authority of congress to put an end to this interminable warfare. I simply ask the people of Collin county to grant me the opportunity of selling them their

Groceries and Provisions

We are all soldiers in this everyday strife which ends only when life ends. Therefore it is beyond the power of congress or mortal ken to bring about a cessation of this wearisome effort to procure

Meat and Bread

Now since this great struggle is destined to never end throughout life, I offer the following relief measure: 1st. I will act as mediator between the contending factions viz.,

Every Family in the County vs Grim Necessity.

2nd. I will act and am now acting on the motto "Small profits, quick sales."

3d. I pledge myself to keep in stock only standard brands, Freshest Goods, Superior Qualities, and

Ample Quantities.

4th. If after a thorough trial and earnest effort I betray your confidence, I agree to close my doors and call down upon my head the retribution of wronged customers.

Believing my long experience in the grocery business in McKinney qualifies me to know the trade, cater to its demands and to receive your consideration, I hereby sign, and subscribe to the above conditions fully and without reserve with the hope that

Every reader of this covenant will become one of my constant customers in the future.

Sincerely yours,

T. J. Melton,

The McKinney Cash Groceryman.

Secret of Beauty

is health. The secret of health is the power to digest and assimilate a proper quanity of food. This can never be done when the liver does not act it's part.

Do you know this?

Tutt's Liver Pills are an absolute cure for sick headache, dyspepsia, sour stomach, malaria, constipation, torpid liver, piles, jaundice, bilious fever, biliousness and kindred diseases.

Tutt's Liver Pills

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Subject to the democratic primaries.

For Local Representative
TOM W. PERKINS
JOHN R. SMITH.

For District Judge
J E DILLARD

For County Judge
J. H. FAULKNER
F. E. WILCOX
J. L. DOGGETT
D. P. JOHNSON

For County Attorney
GEORGE HARDIN
H. L. DAVIS

Eor County Clerk
PAT MOULDEN
W. M. SHIRLEY
J. A. WALDEN

For Sheriff
J. W. PAFFORD
W S COFFEY

For Tax Collector
YANCY POWELL
A W KNIGHTON

For County Superintendent of schools
W. W. SHEPHERD

For County Surveyor
ED H KEEN

For Commissioner Precinct No. 1
SAM H FOX

For Justice of the Peace Precinct 1.
W. L. YARBROUGH
J. T. ANDREWS.

LOCAL NEWS.

Personals and Happenings of Interest Gathered for The Democrat's Many Readers.

H. J. Watkins' residence burned at Nevada last week.

California Lilac at Smith Bros.

For county maps call on J. H. Jenkins.

Miss Mabel McKinney is visiting Weatherford relatives.

Superior quality groceries at Goostree & Houston's.

Uncle Jake Grayham from Lucas was a welcome visitor to our office Friday.

Live and let live is the Nickle Store's motto. How do you like it?

Will Byers of Caddo Mills visited his sister Mrs. Doc Turner last week.

Another new odor, California Wild Rose, at Smith Bros.

Childrens toys, trinkets useful and ornamental at the Nickel Store.

Berry Munger has sold his barber shop interest to his partner, Jack Lane.

Window glass all sizes, at City Drug Store.

Tom Massie and wife of Van Alstyne were guests of McKinney relatives Sunday.

We are now selling the sweet perfume, made in California by Reiger. Smith Bros.

Don't fail to see the pretty goldfish at the Nickle Store when in McKinney.

John R. Smith was on our streets last week in the interest of his candidacy for the legislature.

Pure whiskies, wines and brandies for medicinal use, at City Drug Store.

During these times of war and rumors of war don't forget the Nickle Store, next door to postoffice.

C. C. Brown and brother, well known Farmersville citizens, were attending court here last week.

WALL PAPER, WALL PAPER. All the new patterns from 5c a roll up, at City Drug Store.

Karl's Clover Root Tea is a pleasant laxative. Regulates the bowels, purifies the blood. Clears the complexion. Easy to make and pleasant to take. 25 cts. Sold by Smith Bros. 2

We want a portion of your spring trade anyway. Our groceries will make you strong, happy and prosperous. Goostree & Houston.

Our chicken mite destroyer we guarantee to kill mites. We refund the money if it does not. Smith Bros.

Ladies, Take the Best. If you are troubled with Constipation, Sallow Skin, and a Tired Feeling, take Karl's Clover Tea, it is pleasant to take. Sold by Smith Bros. 2

The Nickle Store is mighty hard to head off when it comes to pleasing customers with both price and quality.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure.

The public school building at Commerce burned April 14. A $10,000 brick edifice will take its place.

Cheatham's Chill Tonic is peculiarly adapted to persons in enfeebled health and invalids. It assists digestion and is a perfect strengthener and appetizer. Satisfaction or money refunded. Put up in both tasteless and bitter styles. 50-cent size.

Joe Durning was accidentally shot while hunting near Van Alstyne one day last week. He is a brother of Ed Durning at C. C. Provine's drug store.

Be not deceived! A Cough, Hoarseness or croup are not to be trifled with. A dose of Shiloh's Cure will save you much trouble. Sold by Smith Bros. 2

Car load Collier's strictly pure white lead just received and for sale cheap at Wilcox & Son's Lumber Yard.

The white rock fence about the court house has been finished and the red copping stone is being adjusted.

Hunt's Cure.

Cures Catarrh, Neuralgia, Sprains, Cramp Colic, Diarrhoea, Cuts Headache, Rheumatism. Good for man and beast. Failing, money refunded.

International Stock Food, 3 feeds for one cent, for horses, cattle, sheep and hogs. Every package waranteed, at City Drug Store.

A. J. Caldwell, Sr., J. A. Spragg and Mr. Craver, prominen. Climax citizens, attended district court here last week.

McKinney is the best town in the best county in the best state of the best nation of the world and Goostree & Houstoon is its leading grocery firm.

A PURE GRAPE CREAM OF TARTAR POWDER

DR. PRICE'S CREAM BAKING POWDER

Awarded
Highest Honors, World's Fair
Gold Medal, Midwinter Fair

Los Angeles Blossoms, true to nature at Smith Bros.

W. P. Burrage has sold his saloon to Messrs. H. A. Hooks and C. H. Miller of Farmersville.

Dyspepsia Cured. Shiloh's Vitalizer immediately relieves Sour Stomach. Coming up of Food Distress, and is the great kidney and liver remedy. Sold by Smith Bros. 2

A fire broke out in the jail coal house about 11 o'clock Saturday but was speedily extinguished by the firemen. Origin unknown.

WHEN TRAVELING.

Whether on pleasure bent or business, take on every trip a bottle of Syrup of Figs, as it acts most pleasantly and effectually on the kidneys, liver, and bowels, preventing fevers, headaches, and other forms of sickness. For sale by the California Fig Syrup Co. only.

50 different brands cough medicine. All the reliable kinds, at City Drug Store.

The McKinney Electric Light company is adding machinery to furnish power for a day circuit for running fans, etc.

Santa Barbara Heliotrope, all the sweetness of Heliotrope in this famous perfume, at Smith Bros.

Valuable to Women.

Especially valuable to women is Browns' Iron Bitters. Backache vanishes, headache disappears, strength takes the place of weakness, and the glow of health comes to the pallid cheek when this wonderful remedy is taken. For sickly children or overworked men it has no equal. No home should be without Browns' Iron Bitters. For sale by all dealers.

We regret to learn that W. T. Hale has moved from Port Lavaca, Texas, to his old home at Unionville, Ga. He is in bad health which fact was the cause of his return to his nativity.

Cure that Cough with Shiloh's Cure. The best Cough Cure. Relieves Croup promptly. One million bottles sold last year. 40 doses for 25 cts. Sold by Smith Bros. 2

Best paint on earth, covers more and wears longest, looks best, full measure S. W. B. guaranteed, at City Drug Store.

Volunteers Wanted!

at the Nickel Store to carry off purchases for loved ones at home. Prices are lowest.

Miss Georgie Cannon and Lewis Cartwright of Van Alstyne were guests of Misses Bettie and Laura Wallace in this city Sunday.

Impure blood is responsible directly and indirectly for many other disease. Purify the blood at once with Dr. Simmons' Sarsaparilla. Fifty cents and 50 doses.

Several teachers from various parts of the county and young persons aspiring to be teachers were in McKinney Friday and Saturday taking examination.

Largest stock paints, oils, varnishes, window glass, brushes and wall paper at very low prices. City Drug Store.

Klondyke Snow, a new ice we will serve in a few weeks. Smith Bros.

M. E. Purnell has purchased the Plano Racket Store for C. B. Rouss. Joe Anthony of this place will be manager of the business.

The languor so common at this season is due to impoverished blood. Hood's Sarsaparilla cures it by enriching the blood

Shasta Lily, a new perfume from California. At Smith Bros.

I was reading an advertisement of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy in the Worcester Enterprise recently, which leads me to write this. I can truthfully say I never used any remedy equal to it for colic and diarrhoea. I have never had to use more than one or two doses to cure the worst case with myself or children. —W. A STROUD, Popomoke City, Md. For sale by City Drug Store.

Messrs. J. S. Hinman and Leonard Bolden, of Sulphur Springs, are spending a few days in McKinney. The former is the father of J. E. Hinman one of our most popular barbers.

Dreadfully Nervous.

GENTS—I was dreadfully nervous, and for relief took your Karl's Clover Root Tea. It quieted my nerves and strengthed my whole nervous system. I was troubled with Constipation, Kidney and Bowel trouble. Your Tea soon cleansed my system so thoroughly that I rapidly regained health and strength. Mrs. S. A. Sweet, Hartford, Conn. Sold by Smith Bros. 2

Bob Bennett and wife, nee Miss Florence Throckmorton, have removed to our city again. They have been residents of Hillsboro for several years past.

"A word to the wise is sufficient" and a word from the wise should be sufficient, but you ask, who are the wise? Those who know. The oft repeated experience of trustworthy persons may be taken for knowledge. Mr. W. M. Terry says Chamberlain's Cough Remedy gives better satisfaction than any other in the market. He has been in the drug business at Elkton, Ky., for twelve years; has sold hundreds of bottles of this remedy and nearly all other cough medicines manufactured, which shows conclusively that Chamberlain's is the most satisfactory to the people and is the best. For sale by City Drug Store.

Try our new perfume, California Wild Flowers. Smith Bros.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local remedies, treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surface of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address, F. J. CHENEY & Co., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggist, 75c. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

From a private letter from Scott Hamm dated at Lonelm, Ark., we learn that he is having a nice time. He refers enthusiastically to the strawberry industry in Arkansas. He cites one case where one man cleared $500 from four acres of the luscious fruit.

CASTORIA.
Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher. The Kind You Have Always Bought

Sewer Pipe. Just received a car load of Sewer Pipe of all sizes, viz: 3 in. 4 in. 8 in. up to 24 in. The 24in. makes a splendid well curb. For sale cheap at Wilcox & Sons Lumber Yard.

Rheumatism Cured.

My wife has used Chamberlain's Pain Balm for rheumatism with great relief, and I can recommend it as a splendid liniment for rheumatism and other household use for which we have found it valuable.—W. J. CUYLER, Red Creek, N. Y.

Mr. Cuyler is one of the leading merchants of this village and one of the most prominent men in this vicinity.—W. G. PHIPPIN, Editor Red Creek Herald For sale by City Drug Store.

Miss Effie Barnett has returned to her home in Louisville, Ky., after a prolonged visit to her sister, Mrs. J. E. H. Galbraith in McKinney.

McKinney Steam Dye Works dyes them whether all wool or cotton or part wool and part cotton. We clean or dye by the only approved and successful method, that is the Steam method Clothing for both Gents and Ladies cleaned, dyed and pressed, also do binding lining, put on new buttons and all colors guaranted to be fast and no rubbing off. McKinney Steam Laundry & Dye Works McKinney, Texas.

Handsome art studies free with each 50c bottle of California perfumes. Smith Bros.

Richardson & Hinman.

If in your good paper
We can have a little space,
We will write a little; but
We hope not out of place.

Come see us; good people.
When troubled with your hair.
We trim it up to please you;
Long, short, round or square.

Come try our choicest sea foam,
And finest dry shampoo;
We use the finest razors
And the sweetest lathers too.

In everything pertaining
To the barbers line
We are up to date,
And simply superfine.

And though we are so clever,
Our charges are so small,
As those of other artists
Who take the skin and all.

—Ed & Will at the Foote House Barber Shop. McKinney, Texas.

Skin Diseases.

For the speedy and permanent cure of tetter, salt rheum and eczema, Chamberlain's Eye and Skin Ointment is without an equal. It relieves the itching and smarting almost instantly and its continued use effects a permanent cure. It also cures itch, barber's itch, scald head, sore nipples, itching piles, chapped hands, chronic sore eyes and granulated lids.

Dr. Cady's Condition Powders for horses are the best tonic, blood purifier and vermifuge. Price, 25 cents. Sold by City Drug Store.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Davis accompanied by Miss Joe B. Davis are visiting their sister, Mrs. C. P. Ware, at Rosenberg, Texas, this week. They went down Monday and will go to Galveston and Houston before returning.

Shake Into Your Shoes.

Allen's Foot-Ease, a powder for the feet. It cures painfull, swollen, smarting feet and bunions. It's the great comfort discovery of the age. Allen's Foot-Ease makes tight-fitting or new shoes feel easy. It is a certain cure for sweating, callous and hot, tired, aching feet. Try it to day. Sold by all druggist and shoe stores. By mail for 25c. in stamps. Trial package FREE. Address, Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

Don't make a grocery bill elsewhere until you visit Goostree & Houston's, they have an immense stock, fresh goods and at lowest prices possible for high grade goods.

FOR RENT—Good McKinney wagon yard, block No. 20 adjacent to the public square. Will lease for year on easy terms. Apply to JENKINS & PEARSON

Well Satisfied.

With 1897 we have made a grand change for the better for 1898. We carry up to date picture moulding, best grade farmes, queensware tinware best medium line furniture, cookstoves & heaters.

Asbury & Nelson.

We are glad to note that our friend Will Anderson was able to be on our streets last Friday the first time since the amputation of his arm. He says that he has nearly recovered from the shock but is yet very weak.

J. P. Crouch of McKinney donated a valuable lot to the Baptist church on condition that they erect a parsonage at an early date.—Farmersville Times.

Farm for Sale

A splendid small farm for sale, 62 acres, 45 in cultivation, five miles northwest of McKinney. A bargain. Apply to. WM. HORN,
Vineland, Tex.

"You Who are in Need"

Of goods for the spring and want new and Bright Styles and low prices should call and examine my stock.

MY WORD IS MY BOND.

And all goods advertised will be found just as represented. My prices are made to suit all classes and consistent with the times.

A standard line of Prints at.....3c½
36-inch Bleaching, fair grade,.....4½c
Merrimack and Mullhouse Percales.....6½c
All Organdies, Swisses and Dimities worth 12½ to 15c....9c
Ladies Dongola Button Shoes worth $1.25.....90c
Ladies Dongola Button and Lace Shoes worth 150 .....$1.15
Ladies Dongola and Tan Oxfords and Sandals $1.25 to 1.50.....90c
Ladies Dongola and Tan Oxfords and Sandals $1.50 to 1.75.....1.15
Men's Solid Leather Sunday Shoes worth 1.25....95c
Men's Negligee Shirts Laundered Collars and Cuffs worth 50c.....30
Men's Negligee Shirts Laundered Collars and Cuffs worth 75c.....45

In fact I can save you from 25c to 40c on every dollar's worth of goods you buy. A word to the wise is suffcient.

Yours Truly

Louis I. Dreeben.
McKinney, Texas.

West Side Square,
Next to Bush Book Store.

SOMETHING NEW

5¢

Large package of the world's best cleanser for a nickel. Still greater economy in 4-pound package. All grocers. Made only by
THE N. K. FAIRBANK COMPANY,
Chicago. St. Louis, New York, Boston, Philadelphia.

I

Sell Everything in DRUG Line

And Guarantee
Price and Quality.

Respectfully,

C. C. Provine.

Frank Gutgeselle is mingling with friends again on our streets after an absence of several months in Minnesota. He came back to stand trial at the present term of district court on a charge of arson. Messrs. G. H. and R. L. Stimpson and J. C. Belding returned with him to be present during the trial.

L. Holt of Merit gave us a pleasant call one day last week. Mr. Holt is a gentleman of humanitarian tendency who dislikes to see an individual suffer, much less the suffering of a nation from the horrors of war.

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SPECIAL SALE

The merchants are frequently making special sale days and as a rule the town people get the benefit of these bargain sales, as they are usually gotten up on a day's notice, therefore the people in the country never hear of it and the result is our town friends wait and watch for these specials, as they are mostly given on a day the people out of town do not come in. These sales save our town people quite a good sum of money, and now we propose to give our out of town friends a chance at a Bargain Sale.

We Want to Remind You Just Here That The Sales are Not to make Money.

on directly, but an indirect way. To illustrate our views on this we mention the fact to you that these bargain or special sale days bring people into a store under other circumstances that would never come; with this intention then we shall on Thursday and Friday, the 28th and 29th of this month give you the benefit of one of the most valuable special sales offered to the people of McKinney and Collin county. We guarante to make you, at the lowest calculation the nice sum of from

25 to 33 1-3 Per Cent of your purchase. Everything in the house will go at a big discount, and we hope to see as many as possible,

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They give the discount as represented and the buyers have saved something,

And at the same time the merchant accomplishes his purpose, not that he has made a profit on the sale but brings himself and business in contact with the people, becomes acquainted and possibly, if he has dealt honestly, gain a new customer, so you realize that these are a mutual benefit. We therefore request every reader of this paper to call on us, especially 28th and 29th. We shall do the right thing and you will not be disappointed for we have a splendid stock of

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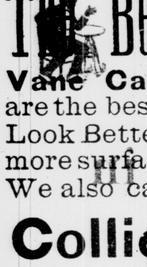

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Wetsel Windings.

Apr. 11, 98.

W. J. McMahan and wife who have been visiting his mother Mrs. Joe McMahan returned to their home in Kaufman county Sunday.

W. E. Philips of McKinney was in Wetsel community Monday.

When war is declared ye scribe is ready to start—for the brush.

JIM CROW.

SIXTEEN YEARS.

His Wife Had Been a Chronic Invalid—Cured at Last.

Mr. J. T. Scott, Cherokee, Texas, in writing to Dr. Hartman, stated: "I had kidney disease for about fifteen years, and had got so bad that I could hardly get about and could not perform any kind of labor. I had tried quite a number of doctors and had taken nearly a wagon-load of patent and proprietary medicines, but continued to gradually grow worse. Also, my wife had been an invalid for about sixteen years, and you doubtless remember when I wrote you about her, there was hardly ever a day that she could sit up all day. We tried a great many remedies, but neither of us was ever benefitted, only temporarily, till we began taking your Pe-ru-na and Man-a-lin, as instructed in your letters to us. It has made a healthy man of me; I never felt better in my life and my wife is almost like a different person, she is so much better. The Pe-ru-na is the most wonderful medicine I ever saw; for la grippe it is a sure cure. I know this and have had my neighbors to try it."

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VINEY GROVE VEERINGS.

Attended Easter Services at St Paul—Local News and Personals.

Apr. 12, 1898.

Farmers are done planting corn for the second time this season.

The wheat and oats crops were greatly benefitted by the rain that fell Monday.

Prof. Carry closed a successful term of school at this place last Friday.

Randolph Caldwell is on the sick list.

Miss Cora Caldwell of Climax is teaching a music class at the residence of W. A. Straughan's.

Elder Faulkner filled his regular appointment at Stiff's Chapel Saturday night and Sunday. Eld. McMurry preached Sunday night. Bro. Faulkner having been called to Forrest Grove to conduct the funeral services of Mrs. Taylor Coffey.

John Martin and two sons, Jean and Lud, started for western Texas last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Thompson drove out from McKinney Sunday evening and paid Mr. and Mrs. Straughan a few hours' visit.

Mrs. Harriet Wilson and son, George of McKinney visited relatives at this place Sunday.

J. Frank Smith and lady of Princeton attended meeting at the Chapel Sunday.

Miss Julia Boyer closed her school at Viney Grove No. 2 on Friday April 1st.

The following young people from here attended Easter services at St. Paul Sunday: Emery Howerton and Miss Cora Caldwell; George Straughan and Miss Ida Boyer; Joe Wilson and Miss Ora Straughan.

Ben Bomar having traded his bicycle for a fiddle says he is prepared to furnish music to all on short notice. TICKY.

VERONA VOICE.

Springtime Come Again And Nature Has Donned Her Dress Of Green.

Apr. 11th, '98.

ED. DEMOCRAT:

Spring time has come again, and notwithstanding the recent cold wave, nature has donned her new dress of green.

Wheat and oats are beginning to look well and corn that was planted the second time is coming up.

Most farmers are now ready to plant another large crop of cotton and if the yield should be large, realize about three cents per pound for it.

W. J. Calloway is very low with a complication of diseases combined with old age. Drs. Burton of Farmersville and Hays of Climax were in consultation yesterday.

Our friend W. J. Burton is recovering from injuries received as a result from a run-away a few weeks ago.

Rev. Graves filled his regular appointment at the Methodist church yesterday and a very large crowd was treated to a most eloquent and impressive sermon.

Rev. W. L. Head of Blue Ridge preached for us Saturday night, and we extend a cordial invitation to return and preach for us often.

Prof. C. A. Bickly and his pupils are going to give us an exhibition at the close of school sometime next month

S. W. Burton of Princeton accompanied by his two daughters Misses Ella and Lizzie, spent the Sabbath with his son William here.

After an absence of one month teaching instrumental music in Fannin county, Miss Sallie Stroup came home yesterday.

The new organ purchased for the church and Sunday school by our Choral Society is in position and is doing effective work. We are proud of our boys and girls.

D. W. LEIGH.

TRINITY TRUTHS.

Regrets Over Loss Of Fruit Crop—Sunday School Organized.

Apr. 12, '98.

There is great sorrow over the loss of the fruit crop.

During the freeze most of the corn that had been up, was frozen and people begun to replant, and now every thing is in finer order.

The rain yesterday and today has done much good in our community.

Singing is still in progress here.

A Sunday school was organized here on Sunday last, 10th, inst with J. F. Cave superintendant.

Monroe Orenduff has gone to Denison where he has accepted a position in a harness and saddle shop.

Miss Jime Rowe has been ill.

Mrs. Claycomb is very ill.

Mrs. Orenduff has been seriously sick but is now recovering.

Quite a number of cattlemen have been scouring our country of late.

Mr. Orenduff and Mrs. Orenduff, Miss Mary Caye, Miss Maude Lewis, Pierce Mallow and others visited the school Friday last.

J. O. Lewis also called recently.

Someone entered Mr. Claycomb's smoke house recently and captured a turkey and two sides bacon. Others report the same happening. LILY.

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Remaining unclaimed in the postoffice, at McKinney, Tex April, 6, '98, which, if unclaimed in two weeks, will be sent to Dead Letter Office at Washington, D. C.

LADIES.

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Phelt Lizzie	Starrens Josey
Spears Mannie	Wolf Meline

GENTLEMAN.

Brown Charlie	Brounley J L
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Daggs Will	Dunsworth O C
Gowser J A	Garrett L T
Gains E P	Hobbs C O
Hays C D	Rutherford John
Rucker W E	Scott A R
Thompson Parks	Welch T F

Persons calling for letters on this list must say "advertised" or they may fail to get them.

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Judge J. B. Rector of the Federal Bench died in Austin Saturday.

Gen. W. P. Hardeman died last week in Austin. He was a noted exconfederate leader.

Alderman Mead of Greenville was struck by a runaway horse and painfully injured.

Garden truck in the vicinity of Marshall has been hindered by the continued cold spell.

Taylor Perry, a Grayson county convict, was adjudged insane at Sherman.

President George T. Winston of the state university visited the Greenville schools.

The spread of populist principles is immense. Even many of our opponents are trying to ride in on "visionary schemes."

The market report is deficient. "Cat Apples" are not listed so far this year.

Old confederates of several counties enjoyed a reunion at Greenville Hunt county Apr. 9.

Some of our democratic quill pushers are accusing each other of being "bought." Now, that's too bad when "Hanna" and "his agents" have all withdrawn from the state.

The worst wreck to ever occur in Montana happened on the Montana Central near Great Falls Apr. 7. A car of dynamite exploded on a bridge killing three trainmen, wrecking the bridge, tearing ten cars to kindling wood.

The majority of the business men of Texas are opposed to war if it is possible to obtain peace with honorable measures. The sentiment from a number of cities was given in last Sunday's Dallas News.

The people's party convention of Fannin county met Apr. 9, with 500 delegates in attendance. They decided upon July 4, for holding convention to nominate candidates for president and vice-president and May 9, for county nominations.

Cyclone Davis' eloquence is to be heard again soon on the hustings. He has several dates in East Texas, one at Sulpher Springs Apr. 19 where he is to meet M. M. Crane in joint discussion. In politics Cyclone has many violent enemies, but they all bow in homage to his matchless oratory.

A fatal pistol duel took place Sunday morning at Fannin Tex., between postmaster Benson Goff and Edwin Pitts. The difficulty grew out of the former's objection to Pitts' attention to his daughter. Goff was shot through the heart and died instantly. Witt was pierced through the liver by a ball and will die.

T. DeWitt Talmage: Young men, buy no lottery ticket, purchase no prize packages, bet on no base ball games or yatch racing, have no faith in luck, answer no mysterious circulars proposing income for small investment, drive away the buzzards that hover around our hotels trying to entrap strangers. Go out and make an honest living.

Costomer—What's the price of butter?

Grocer—Different prices, accordin' to quality. Do you want it for eatin', cookin' or greasin'?—N. Y. Weekly.

The Death Rate of Texas Populists.

Nugent's vote in 1892, 108,483.
Nugent's vote in 1894, 182,731.
Kearby's vote in 1896, 238,692.

Waiter—Here's the bill of fare, sir.

Farmer Hayrick—Well, no, thank ye, I don't care to read till after I've had sometnin to eat.—Pick Me Up.

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General News.

Gleaned From The World Over For Our Readers' Information.

The Sherman cotton seed oil mill closed down Monday for the season.

Henry Mary was killed at Cotulla Sunday. He was a prominent cattleman of Taylor, Tex.

While crossing a switch Sunday Mrs. R. M. Laton was struck by an engine at Muscogee, I. T. and instantly killed.

Taylor Perry, an insane Sherman colored man, is starving himself to death.

Gen. W. H. Chalmers is dead. He was a famous confederate general.

The Patterson—Carmack congressional contest from Memphis Tenn., has been reported favorable to the sitting member Mr. Cormack.

The work of rebuilding the Sherman electric railway is progressing rapidly.

The Pilot Point lodge K. of P. visited the Denton lodge and had a great time.

Rev. George Stuart's revival at Longview is attracting tremendous crowds.

The Texas State Medical Association will hold its thirtieth annual meeting at Turner Hall in Houston Apr. 26, 27, 28 and 29. A one-fare rate has been secured.

Real Estate Transfers.

List of real estate transfers filed for record in the county clerk's office McKinney, Texas, week ending April 16 1898:

D A Gerrish and wife to First National Bank McKinney, lot in Allen, $800.

D F Gerrish to D A and Hattie L Gerrish, lot in Allen, $4000.

F M and Sarah Putty to V R Byrd, lot in McKinney, $200.

S W Fordyce et al to Payne & Brammett et al, lot in Nevada, $42.

S Brummett heirs to H J Keller et al, lot in Nevada, $20.

Mrs. E A Smith heirs to H J Keller, lot in Nevada, $410.

F G Payne and wife to H J Keller & Co lot in Nevada $55.

O R Haile and wife to H J Keller & Co, lot in Nevada, $20.

L A Scott and wife to C W Coffey, 55a, Thos. McClenahan sur, $676.

J L Moulden and wife to J T Shaver, 36-100a, Geo. Pegues sur, $36.65

H C Hamilton to City of McKinney, lot in McKinney, $50.

E C Thompson and wife to J E Thomson, 17 1-2a, Painer sur, $375.

Asa Jamison and wife to Alonzo Jamison, 3 tracts, $313.75.

M L Williams and wife to R J Williams Milwood Gin lot $325.

J F Corry and wife to R J Williams, 9a, D Anglin sur, $525,

S R and J A Evans to M B Harris, int. in 200a, E Harris sur, $600.

Louise Harris to M B Harris, Int. in 200a, D Anglin sur, love and affection.

J W Soury et al to A S Douglass, tract in Kuykendall sur, $100.

A L Douglass and wife to J A Kendall, tract in Kuykendall sur, $400.

W C Douglass and wife to J A Kuykendall, int. in estate $400.

Laura F Tucker to J F Corry, int. in 40acres, $15.

Jas Thompson et al to J F Corry 40a, D Anglin, $461.50.

J H Blake et al to J F Corry, int. in 40a, D Anglin sur, $46.15.

S L Adamson et al to J F Corry, interest in 40 acres D Anglin sur $46.15.

W C Gambrell and wife to S A Gambrell, 60 acres W D Thompson sur, $240.

J K Aldridge and wife to W P Aldridge lot in McKinney, settlement.

Roland Gooch and wife to L J Gooch et al 9-10a A Horton sur, $50.

C N Abbott and wife to G W Young 137 1-2a, Locke sur, settlement.

T P Hightower to L A Hightower et al two tracts Witt sur, $200.

T B Wilson to J F Lockhart 93 acres A Russell sur, $500.

J F Lockhart and wife to Jane Fauleoner, 93a A Russell sur $600

Moore & Rollow to J A Rollow lot in Nevada $350.

W H Rucker et al to T P Rollow lot in Nevada $175

T P Rollow et al to G G Evans lot in Nevada $600.

J C Johnson and wife to Moorre & Rollow lot in Nevada settlement.

W C Brinson and wife to Moor & Rallow 70 acres Joseph Nailey $2100

J D Bryant and wife to Moore & Rallow, 2 tracks $700.

Mrs. T E Waddill hrs. to Moore & Rallow Int in lot in Nevada $360.

N M Chaddick to J P Spilman, lot in Plano, $300.

J P Spilman and wife to N M Chaddick lot in Plano exchange.

W C Neal and wife to J P Spilman, lot in Plano, $1120.

Mrs. Jesse Munger and children lately arrived from Monroe, La., where her husband and brother Ola Spaugh are now located. Mrs. Monger will make her home with her father J. A. Spaugh at Climax until the arrival of her husband, which will be about July 1st.

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